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E. O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP
SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT BY SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
COLEMAN

REF: STATE 73748 (NOTAL)

1. CAVAILLE'S CABINET INFORMED OF SECRETARY COLEMAN'S VISIT AND MUCH PLEASED AT THIS NEWS.

2. WITH BLANCHET, CAVAILLE'S CHEF DE CABINET, WE HAVE BLOCKED OUT TENTATIVE SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR JUNE 15 AS FOLLOWS BASED ON REFTEL INDICATIONS:

10 AM--ARRIVAL CG01 AT CHARLES DE GAULLE AIRPORT. (COMMENT: WHILE SMALLER JET AIRCRAFT NORMALLY NOT ACCEPTED AT CDG AIRPORT, BLANCHET SAID WOULD BE NO PROBLEM MAKE EXCEPTION IN THIS CASE WHICH WOULD, OF COURSE, GREATLY SIMPLIFY PROGRAMMING BY OBVIATING NEED TRANSPORT SECRETARY AND PARTY FROM LE BOURGET TO CDG AIRPORT BY CAR FOR AIRPORT VISIT.)

10-11:30 AM--VISIT OF CDG AIRPORT.

11:30 AM--DEPART BY CAR FOR PARIS

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1 PM--LUNCHEON (PERHAPS HOSTED JOINTLY BY PARIS

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METRO MANAGEMENT AND PARIS AIRPORT AUTHORITY AT TRAIN BLEU RESTAURANT AT GARE DE LYON).

3-4:30 PM--VISIT TO PARIS METRO OPERATIONAL CONTROL CENTER AND TOUR OF METRO SYSTEM.

5 PM--BRIEF COURTESY CALL ON CAVAILLE.

8:30 PM--DINNER IN SECRETARY COLEMAN'S HONOR HOSTED BY CAVAILLE. (COMMENT: CAVAILLE IS NOT FREE FOR LUNCH THAT DATE.)

3. RE PARA 7 REFTEL WE ARE CERTAIN THERE WILL BE KEEN INTEREST ON PART OF FRENCH PRESS IN MEETING WITH SECRETARY COLEMAN AND QUESTIONING HIM ON CONCORDE. WE WOULD THEREFORE HOPE SECRETARY COLEMAN WOULD BE AGREEABLE HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE AT 6 PM IN EMBASSY AUDITORIUM.

4. AMCONSUL BORDEAUX HAS SUGGESTED TO US IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR SECRETARY COLEMAN WHILE IN TOULOUSE TO MEET THERE WITH REPS OF TOULOUSE-BASED COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE OF CONCORDE. WE SUPPORT THIS SUGGESTION, THOUGH SCHEDULING OF ANY SUCH MEETING WOULD DEPEND ON SECRETARY'S ECMT SCHEDULE WHILE IN TOULOUSE.

5. ADVISE AS SOON AS KNOWN THE NAMES OF OTHER MEMBERS IN SECRETARY'S PARTY AND PLEASE INDICATE WHO AMONG THEM SHOULD BE INVITED TO SPECIFIC EVENTS ON PARIS PROGRAM.
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